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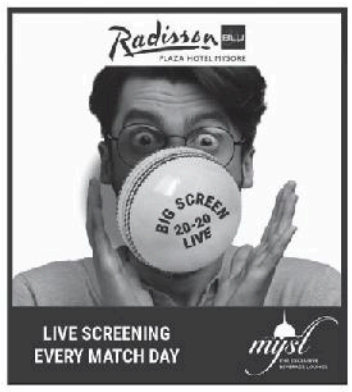

Fissures on Nandi Statue to be fixed with natural process

City sculptor Arun Yogiraj of Adi Shankaracharya statue-fame to take up task in one-and-a-half months

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (GA, KS & BCT)- The monolith Nandi Statue atop the Chamundi Hill that has developed cracks due to vagaries of weather and improper cleaning processes using high-power water jets will be restored to its original black colour and works will begin in one-and-a-half months.

At present, the statue is white in colour after it was washed with high-power water jets in 2017. The fissures on the structure will be filled using a natural process and the task has been assigned by the Department of Archaeology and Museums to city sculptor Arun Yogiraj who had carved the 12-feet 3D statue of Adi Guru Shankaracharya in sitting posture at the Kedarnath Temple in Rudraprayag district of Uttarakhand. This apart, he has carved many other artistic statues with great visual appeal.

The statue of Nandi, the celestial bull, rests midway along the road to Sri Chamundeshwari Temple and the monolithic statue is a major tourist attraction.

(See NANDI on page 6)

Sculptor Arun Yogiraj, along with an official from the Department of Archaeology and Museums and a priest, during the inspection of Nandi Statue atop Chamundi Hill recently.

To Our Readers

Drop Chamundi Hill ropeway project: Chamarajanagar BJP MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad writes to CM. Turn to Page 6.—**Ed**

health Nuggets
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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 27th March 2022

Silver medals and cash prizes presented to topper

Picture shows Prof. Sudha** (extreme right), **along with Sarada Vilas College Principal Dr. M. Devika and SVEI Hon. Secretary N. Chandrashekhar, presenting the cash prize to topper Soujanya S. Gangavati.

Mysuru, Mar. 27- On behalf of Dr. Veena Bharathi of Laxmi Ashwath Foundation, Prof. S. Sudha (formerly Professor of Sanskrit at Sharada Niketana, Mysuru), presented the silver medals and cash prizes to meritorious students at the Pratibha Puraskar event held at Sarada Vilas College, Mysuru, recently.

The endowment prizes have been instituted by Dr. Veena Bharathi (an alumnus of Sarada Vilas College, a first rank holder herself in Zoology), in her mother Laxmi Ashwath's name, since 2008. This year, Soujanya S. Gangavati bagged both the Zoology highest - 2021 (cash prize of Rs. 3,005 and a 20 gm silver medal) and overall final year B.Sc.CBZ- 2021 (cash prize of Rs. 2,005 and 20 gm silver medal). Soujanya is now pursuing her M.Sc. in Chemistry at Manasagangothri, Mysuru.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

POTHOLES IN THE JOURNEY OF LIFE: ***I was riding back home one day and didn't realise there was a large pothole. I didn't fall, but you know the thud-shock-thud of when you ride through a pothole. The next day, I forgot it was there, but when it got close I slowed down so the effect was less. I took another road on the day after that and avoided it altogether.***

That incident got me pondering about life. Like potholes, there are situations in our life that we try and avoid — like not running into your boss or confronting a person you were hurt by. Sometimes we are caught by surprise and we can't avoid it — What do we do then? Go through it anyway or turn around and run?

When we have to face the same pothole again, like a relative you despise at a wedding or an interview or a complicated surgery — would it be better if you're mentally prepared for it so the overall shock factor is alleviated? We sometimes see a pothole ahead but if it's too far, we won't know till we get a little closer. Do we plan our future based on what potholes we may have to encounter or do we take it one road at a time and figure out the way when we arrive at it?

There are places in our minds that we don't want to visit — some memories that haunt us like potholes that were there long ago but because it was not covered up. When you go down that road again, the thud-shock-thud effect remains the same. How do we fix that?

But you know what the best part about potholes is? No matter how many you have to go through, there is always a smooth road ahead. As for what you can do with them — face, cover or avoid — is entirely upto you. Well, that's for the potholes in our head or life. As for those on the road — let's just hope they fix themselves!

— Maithri Arunkumar in Deccan Herald

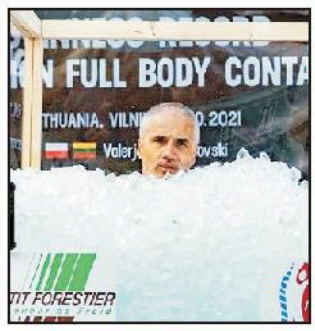
NEWS SPARKLERS

1,269 cherry tomatoes from a single stem!

Southern England: Douglas Smith of Hertfordshire, England, a British man who had set a Guinness World Record by harvesting 839 cherry tomatoes from a single stem broke his own record just a few weeks later when he harvested a stem bearing 1,269 tomatoes.

Smith broke the 10-year-old record of 488 tomatoes when he harvested 839 from a single stem, but he broke the same record a second time just a few weeks later with 1,269 tomatoes. Smith said he was inspired to break a Guinness World Record when a 6.85 tomato grown in his garden was dubbed the largest in Britain. The tomato fell short of the Guinness World Record-holding 10-pound, 12.7-ounce tomato grown by a U.S. gardener in 2020. The avid gardener said he is also in the process of attempting to grow the world's heaviest potato and heaviest eggplant/aubergine.

He spends 3 hours in ice for Guinness



Lithuania: A Polish endurance enthusiast broke a Guinness World Record in Lithuania by spending 3 hours, 28 minutes with his body submerged in ice. Valerjan Romanovski climbed into a glass tank of ice on a Wilno, Wilenski, street and attempted to maintain full body contact with the ice for long enough to break the record of 2 hours, 35 minutes, 33 seconds, which was set by Romain Vandendorpe of France.

The endurance enthusiast said he trained for the record for six months. "I have been dealing with the cold for several years," Romanovski told Guinness. Romanovski previously broke the Guinness World Record for farthest distance cycled off-road in 12 hours when he took a 195.51-mile ride.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Any lump in the breast should not be neglected. Needs triple evaluation by clinical examination, radiological imaging, and cell cytology for further management.

By Dr. Sreeharsha M V - Consultant - General Surgery
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Admissions for JSS School, free hostel at Suttur

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (SSM)- Applications have been invited from eligible students for admission (2022-23) to classes from first to tenth standards at JSS School and Free Student Hostel at Suttur in Nanjangud taluk of Mysuru district.

The admissions are open for both English medium (Class 1, 5 and 8) and Kannada medium (Class 1 to 10). The admissions will be only for children of parents belonging to the working class, poor, marginalised and deprived sections of the society.

Applications are available at the School Office or can be submitted online *(www.jssonline.org)* from Mar. 31.

Filled-in applications (online/ offline) must be submitted along with copies of old marks cards, passport size photos, Aadhaar card (both students and parents), ration card, caste certificate, income certificate before Apr. 30.

Those submitting the applications offline must send it by post to the Administrative Officer, JSS Institutions, Suttur, Nanjangud, Mysuru-571129.

For details, contact Mob: 74114-86938 or Higher Primary School on Ph: 08221-232054, High School on Ph: 08221-232653 or Basaveshwara Vidyarthi Nilaya on Ph: 08221-232332 or Coordinator's Office on Mob: 08221-232323, according to a press release.

REALLY...?

- ***The first newspaper in India was James Augustus Hickey's Bengal Gazette or Calcutta General Advertiser published in 1780 in Calcutta.***
- ***James Augustus Hickey is considered as the "father of Indian press."***
- ***The oldest existing newspaper in India is Bombay Samachar published in 1822 in Gujarati.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A guy went for an interview at a big IT company for the position of "Computer Hacking Investigator."
The boss asked him: So, what makes you suitable for this job?
Well, he replied, I hacked into your computer and invited myself to this interview!!

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 76.29
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 100.62
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.77
1 Euro	= Rs. 83.80

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	MARCH 25	MARCH 26
Day's Positive Cases	2	2
Total Positive Cases	2,29,450	2,29,452
Day's Discharges	5	0
Total Discharges	2,26,885	2,26,885
Day's Deaths	0	0
Total Deaths	2,558	2,558
Total Active Cases	7	9

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Plea to repair pothole-ridden road near Gurudwara

Sir,

This is to draw the attention of the authorities/ Corporator/ MLA concerned towards the sad state of the road from Jawa Main Road intersection upto the Gurudwara (I do not know if the area comes under Yadavagiri or Brindavan Extension).

This road is so much pothole-ridden that all vehicles need to slow down to at least 20 kmph to save our backbone from breaking. All other roads around it are at least partially asphalted but this portion of the road is left in a pathetic condition since a long time, causing nightmare to the motorists especially at night.

This road is an important link road as it connects to nearly a dozen major hospitals on KRS Road like PKTB, Princess Krishnajammanni Super Speciality Hospital, Trauma Care Centre, Jayadeva Hospital, ESI Hospital, District Hospital and Government Ayurveda Hi-Tech Panchakarma Hospital, which needs good roads for commuters as well as ambulances.

Hence, I request the officials concerned to open their eyes and get these pothole-filled roads repaired/ asphalted as soon as possible so that people can have a smooth ride.

—Dr. Suhail Azam Khan
N.R. Mohalla
25.3.2022

Ideal ice-cream outlet opened at Mysore Sports Club

Dr. Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, Member of Mysore Royal Family, inaugurated the Dairy Goddess Food Distribution outlet at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club (Mysore Sports Club) in city this last evening. With this, the famed Ideal ice-cream from Mangaluru comes to Mysuru and is now available in over 100 outlets. Pandiyanda Sunil Chengappa and B.R. Ranjan, Partners, Dairy Goddess Food Distribution, and Dr. B.V. Sathyanarayan, VP-Marketing, Ideal ice-cream, Sanjay K. Shetty, President and M.C. Somashekar, Honorary Secretary and Sanjay Urs and other Committee Members of Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club were present on the occasion.

VCs' Conference concludes with Mysore Declaration

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (OSR)- The three-day National Conference of Vice-Chancellors (VCs) organised by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), in association with United Nations and the University of Mysore (UoM), at Manasagangothri campus concluded on Friday with a resolution of realising all 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

More than 100 VCs took part in the conference while over 100 VCs participated virtually in the conference that was themed "Realising SDGs through Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)." The Conference was inaugurated by Vice-President M. Venkaiah Naidu and Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot.

The Conference decided that the participating Universities will provide inputs to the AIU to enable the Government to draft a plan of action on how higher education institutions can contribute to realising the goals.

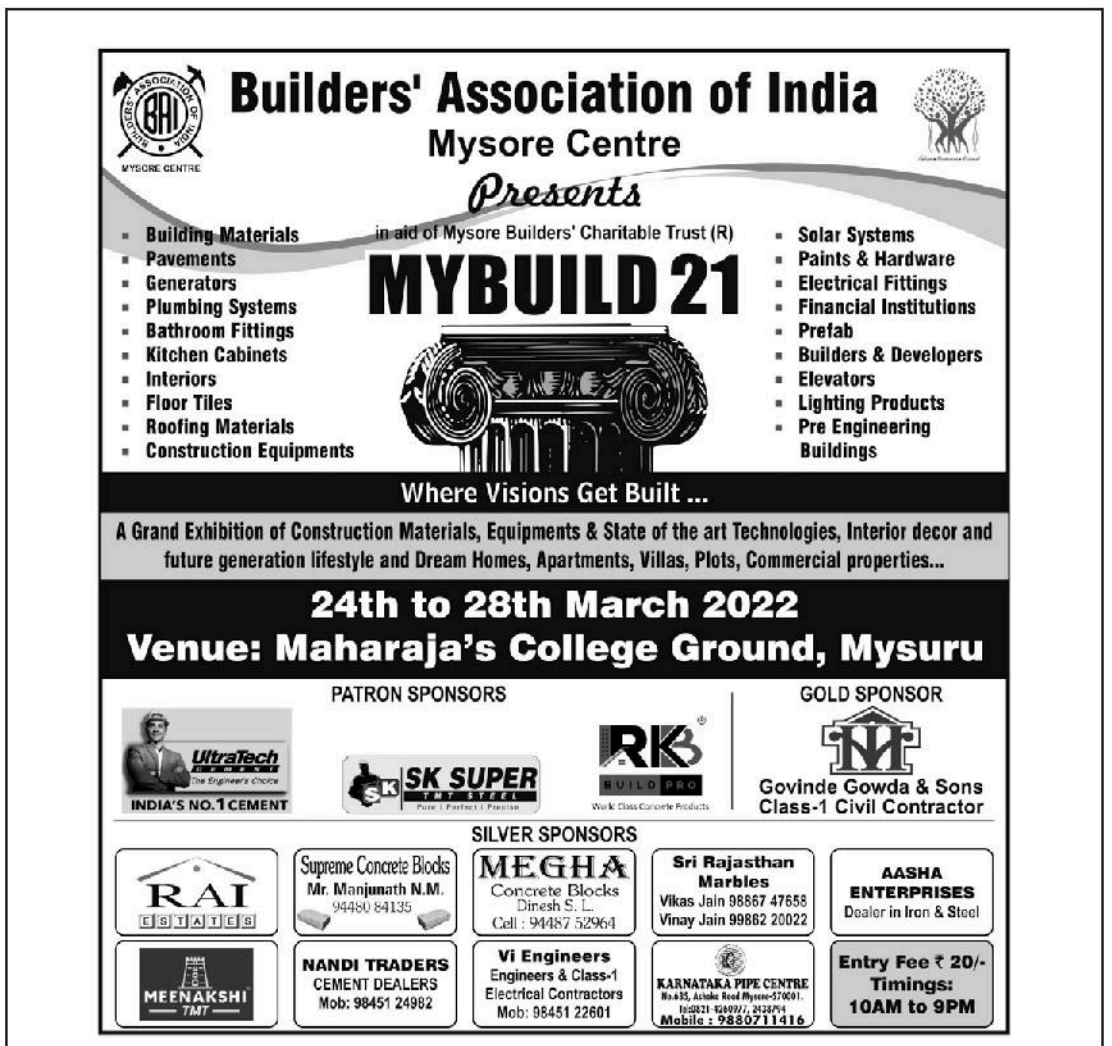
Adopting what was called the 'Mysore Declaration-2022,' the VCs resolved to align the University's education research, innovation and governance towards achieving the goals and targets set out for each of the SDGs.

The Universities have resolved to implement policies and programmes for making the campuses fully sustainable, including self-sufficiency in energy and water, and ensure gender equality and safety and security of women.

The Universities shall lead by example and implement green practices, smart campus technologies and strong industry and society connect. They will give impetus to research and innovation and will aim at strengthening the resolve of the Government of India's 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and accelerate Circular Economy and Net Zero Compliance by 2035.

The resolutions include consent by the VCs for committing themselves to make University education a vehicle of transformation of local and global community into a highly prosperous, peaceful, happy, healthy and sustainable society. "The Universities would monitor, evaluate their progress in respect of each SDGs and shall bring out a SDG compliance report," the AIU said.

AMET University Chairman Dr. J. Ramachandran, Justice H.G. Ramesh, UoM VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, AIU President Dr. G. Thiruvasagam, General Secretary Dr. Pankaj Mittal, VCs Conference Nodal Officer N.K. Lokanath and others were present during the valedictory.



NEWS BRIEFS

Site allotment

Nanjangud City Municipal Council (CMC) has invited applications from people residing in the CMC limits for allotment of sites. Those aged between 18 and 35 years and citizens of Karnataka, who are permanent residents of Nanjangud town for past five years, are eligible to apply. Applicants must have Below Poverty Line (BPL) card and should have not availed any benefits under any scheme provided by the Government so far. Applications will be available at Nanjangud CMC Office till Apr. 11 and filled-in applications along with relevant documents must be submitted to the CMC Office before Apr. 21. For details, contact Nanjangud CMC Office during working hours.

Library Supervisors

The District Central Library has invited applications for the post of Library Supervisor in Bannur branch library on a temporary basis. Candidates must be residing in and around Bannur Town Municipal Council (TMC) limits and must have a pass in SSLC. The applications are available at Bannur branch library. The filled-in applications must be submitted with copies of Aadhaar card, marks card, bio-data, address proof and other supporting documents, to the in-charge Officer of T. Narsipur Library branch before Apr. 22. Candidates will be selected based on Government guidelines seeing their SSLC percentage. Those who are trained in Librarian courses will be given priority. An honorarium of Rs. 7,000 per month will be paid. For details, contact Deputy-Director of District Central Library or T. Narsipur Branch Library.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	107.63 feet
Yesterday	:	108.00 feet
Inflow	:	374 cusecs
Outflow	:	4,272 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,269.65 feet
Inflow	:	412 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,200 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,848.71 feet
Inflow	:	49 cusecs
Outflow	:	45 cusecs

Workshop for Heads and CEOs of Credit Co-op. Societies of Mysuru

'Credit Co-operative Societies are vital in the Co-operative sector'

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (PM&DM)- Maintaining that Credit Co-operative Societies are a vital cog in the Co-operative sector, Karnataka Credit Co-operative Societies Federation Chairperson Lalitha G.T. Devegowda said that it is important for every member of a society to nurture the society with determination and dedication.

She was speaking after inaugurating the one-day training workshop for Heads and CEOs of Credit Co-operative Societies of Mysuru district, at Sahakara Bhavan on Chamaraja Double Road here yesterday.

The workshop was organised in association with Karnataka State Co-operative Federation, Bengaluru, Mysuru District Co-operative Union and Co-operation Department.

Cautioning the Credit Co-operative Societies against any lapses, she said that procedural functioning is key for the growth of Co-operative Societies.

District Co-operative Union President and MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, who presided, referred to reports in a section of the press on irregularities in some Co-operative Societies.

Pointing out that there are about 46,000 registered Co-operative Societies in the State, Rajeev said that it is wrong to wholly blame the sector for lapses and wrong doings by a few Co-operative Societies.

Noting that the Co-operative sector is a service sector, one should remember that the sector has provided jobs to scores of people in the country.

District Co-operative Union Vice-President B.N. Sadananda, in his address, said that the Union Government has for the first time set up a Co-operative Ministry in order to give a big boost to the sector, which plays a vital role in rural economy.

Highlighting the benefits of the establishment of the Ministry, he said that it will help the Co-operative Societies move in the right direction and thereby gain more strength for pushing up the economy.

District Co-operative Union Directors H.S. Prashanth Kumar, Y. Bhyrappa and M.B. Manjegowda, Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies G.R. Vijaykumar, Karnataka Institute of Co-operative Management Principal Chandrashekar and others were present.

Karnataka Credit Co-operative Societies Federation Chairperson Lalitha G.T. Devegowda lighting the lamp to inaugurate the one-day training workshop for Heads and CEOs of Credit Co-operative Societies of Mysuru district, at Sahakara Bhavan on Chamaraja Double Road in city yesterday as District Co-operative Union President and MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev and others look on.

Auto drivers to meet CM in Bengaluru tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 27- Seeking fulfilment of their demands, auto drivers, under the banner of Samyukta Karnataka Autorickshaw Drivers and Owners Welfare Association, will meet Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai at Bengaluru on Mar. 28 and submit a memorandum to him, containing their charter of demands.

The demands include resolution of issues concerning old vehicles that are going to be scrapped, payment of adequate compensation for families of auto drives who died of COVID, PF registration for auto drivers, ESI facilities coverage, houses for shelterless auto drivers and re-introduction of issuance of Badges by the Transport Department, among others.

The auto drivers will gather at Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the Palace North Gate at 9 am on Mar. 28, following which the statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at Town Hall and Mahatma Gandhi at Gandhi Square will be garlanded.

Later, the auto drivers will proceed to the Railway Station and travel to Bengaluru, where the memorandum will be submitted to the Chief Minister, according to a press release.

For details, contact Mob: 93424-21021.

Udyoga Mela on Mar. 30

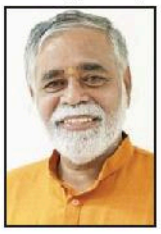
Mysuru, Mar. 27- A Udyoga Mela has been organised on Mar. 30 under the aegis of the Department of Industrial Training and Employment's District Employment Exchange office at Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) in N.R. Mohalla.

City's Grassroots is recruiting candidates who have passed PUC or Degree and eligible candidates must be in the age group of 18 to 30 years. Monthly salary is Rs. 12,000. Bhoruka Private Ltd. is appointing trainees and applicants should have Fitter and Turner qualifications. Candidates must be aged between 18 and 30 years. Triton Private Ltd. is recruiting trainees and candidates with Fitter, Turner, Machinist and BE Mechanical qualifications can attend the interview. Age Limit is 18-30 years.

Applicants are directed to attend the interview with photocopies of marks card, Aadhaar card and three copies of their bio-data. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2489972 or the Assistant Director, District Employment Exchange.

Schools cannot refuse hall tickets for non-payment of fees: Minister

Bengaluru, Mar. 27 (KMS& TRR)- Primary and Secondary Education Minister B.C. Nagesh told the State Assembly on Friday that strict instructions have been given to the Department officials to ensure that students of Aided and Private Schools are not denied their hall tickets because of non-payment of fees.



B.C. Nagesh

Replying to an issue raised by MLA Manjunath during Zero Hour, he said that at a meeting held recently, strict instructions have already been issued to DDPIs (Deputy Directors of Public Instruction) and BEOs (Block Education Officers) to see that no student is denied hall ticket.

"School Managements have been clearly told not to deny hall ticket to students because of non-payment of dues and there need not be any doubts in this regard. It is observed that some schools have told students that hall ticket and transfer certificate will not be issued in case of non-payment of dues and also have made students to stand outside the classrooms. Since strict instructions have been issued in this regard at the meeting and there is no reason to worry about it," asserted Nagesh.

TEASER

By N. Prakash

Hebbal Main Road named Dr. Sudha Murty Road

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (MK&DM)- The Hebbal Main Road leading from the Hebbal Welcome Arch *(Hebbaalina Hebbaagilu)* off KRS Road to Kuvempu Circle, was officially named as Dr. Sudha Murty Road. Dr. Sudha Murty is the former Chairperson of Infosys Foundation. A function was held at Hebbal Welcome Arch yesterday evening where Dr. Sudha Murty herself inaugurated the road in the presence of dignitaries.

The road has been named as Dr. Sudha Murty Road in recognition of her yeoman service for the development of Hebbal, which included rejuvenation of the once dead Hebbal Lake and many other developmental works in the locality, where Infosys, Mysuru, has a big campus.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Sudha Murty said that she has been serving the society for the past 25 years in many ways. But it seems that Mysuru is the first city to have recognised her social work by naming the Hebbal Main Road after her. Stating that she was surprised to learn that the road was named on her, Dr. Sudha Murty said she feels that the road in her name is a gift for her service.

Recalling the Infosys Foundation's interest and work in rejuvenating the utterly neglected Hebbal Lake, she appealed the citizens to take care of the lake just as their own and try to keep it clean always. Stating that the help and co-operation rendered by Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda for the rejuvenation of Hebbal Lake cannot be forgotten, she said that the cost of rejuvenation was first understood to be around Rs. 10 to 15 crore. But then it was revised to Rs. 25 crore and when the works were fully completed, the cost stood at a whopping Rs.108 crore. Recalling that it was G.T. Devegowda who recommended her name for Dasara inauguration when H.D. Kumaraswamy was the Chief Minister, she maintained that she was really virtuous for having inaugurated the Dasara in 2018.

Bemoaning that the once famous 'Garadi Mane' concept is fast eroding in the State, Dr. Sudha said that she will do everything possible for the revival of 'Garadi Mane,' for which she sought the co-operation of the public.

MLA L. Nagendra in his address, said that the Hebbal Main Road leading from the Welcome Arch in front of Metagalli Police Station, has been developed at a cost of Rs. 4.5 crore. Pointing out that the *Hebballina Hebbaagilu* has been built at a cost of Rs. 25 lakh, he said that Infosys, which is a Global IT leader, has provided thousands of jobs directly or indirectly to the people of Mysuru and also for those from other places.

Highlighting the social services rendered by Dr. Sudha Murty and Infosys Foundation over the years, including construction of new blocks at Bengaluru's Jayadeva Hospital at a cost of Rs.123 crore, Nagendra recalled that the Foundation has built homes to thousands of people displaced by natural disasters across the State.

Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda who too spoke, said that Dr. Sudha Murty, apart from rejuvenating the Hebbal Lake by spending crores of rupees, has also contributed for the development of Lakshmikantha Swamy Temple adjoining Hebbal. Noting that Dr. Sudha Murty was invited to inaugurate Dasara festivities in 2018 in recognition of here yeoman service to the society, when the coalition Government was in power, he said that her services has earned worldwide praise and appreciation.

Local Corporator Pailwan Srinivas said that he has been a witness to the social service of Dr. Sudha Murty. Contending that he has been striving for the past couple of years for naming the Hebbal Main Road as Dr. Sudha Murty Road, he said that the road has now been named after her, following Government approval.

Varuna MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah, Corporators Prema Shankaregowda, Lakshmi, K.V. Sridhar and Ramesh, former Corporator Shivanna, Congress leader K. Harish Gowda, local leaders Shivamadegowda, C.N. Dandapani, B.J. Nagendra, Prakash, Subbanna and others were present.

Senior sculptor Shivalingappa honoured

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (GA&SSM)- Senior sculptor L. Shivalingappa was honoured on his 75th birthday at a programme organised by Kalavida L. Shivalingappa – 75 Abinandana Samiti, Mysuru at Nataraja Sabha Bhavan in Agrahara here yesterday.

Former University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. K.S. Rangappa released the books and the felicitation volume. Karnataka Shilpakala Academy Chairman Veeranna M. Arkasali inaugurated a painting and sculpture exhibition organised as part of the felicitation programme.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. K.S. Rangappa said, "Shivalingappa has a great recognition throughout the State. He has a vast knowledge and must get a nationwide recognition. He has not only carved sculptures, but also has published about 40 books," he said and lauded him for his immense contribution.

Veeranna M. Arkasali who too spoke said, "Shivalingappa is one of the great artists of our State. He has recognised himself through his works. During the kings rule, artists were encouraged and were getting a lot of support. But at present, there is no one to recognise artists like him." Shivalingappa's wife Prabha was also felicitated along with him.

Hosamutt Seer Sri Chidanananda Swamiji, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, former President Y.D. Rajanna, Kadamba Ranga Vedike President Rajashekar Kadamba, Karnataka State Muktaka Sahitya Academy Hon. President S. Ramaprasad, Corporator B.V. Manjunath, journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar, Samiti members Srikantaswamy, M. Chandrashekar, Dr. Jamunarani Mirle, Srikanta Murthy and others were present.

Sadbhavana awards presented to various achievers

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (MTY&SSM)- As part of Brahmibhuta Sri Vasudeva Maharaj's 83rd Jayanthi, three achievers from various fields were honoured with Sadbhavana Prashasti by Brahmibhuta Vasudeva Maharaj Foundation yesterday at Patrakarthara Bhavan in city.

M. Basavaraju (Social Work – Organising), Dr. Leela Basavaraju (Theatre) and K.P. Yogesh (Politics – Social Work) are the three achievers who were conferred with Sadbhavana awards.

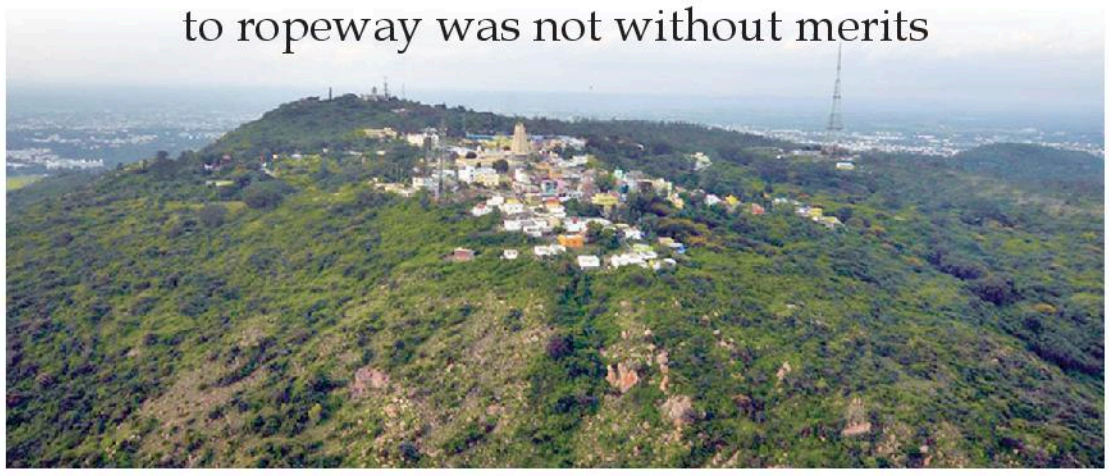
Speaking on the occasion, social worker Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee said, "Vasudeva Maharaj had rejected all the facilities provided by the kings during his period and opted to stay in a rented house and lead a simple life throughout his lifetime. People even now call him as Vasudeva Maharaj for his immense simplicity and humbleness."

MLC C.N. Manjegowda who too spoke said, "Following footsteps of our ancestors and great achievers will help everyone to lead a meaningful life. Youths must follow and adopt certain ethics which were set by great personalities. In this line, Brahmibhuta Vasudeva Maharaj's life is a great example which guides everyone."

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presided. Brahmibhuta Vasudeva Maharaj Foundation Founder-President M.V. Nagendra Babu and others were present.

Drop Chamundi Hill ropeway project: MP

V. Sreenivasa Prasad writes to CM; says opposition to ropeway was not without merits



Mysuru, Mar. 27 (BCT)- In a big boost to the environment activists, morning and evening walkers, NGOs and all those Mysureans who have an emotional connection with Chamundi Hill, former Minister and Chamarajanagar BJP MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad has opposed the proposed ropeway project atop Chamundi Hill. With the MP's support, their struggle to save the Hill from destruction has received a shot in the arm.

In a letter to Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Sreenivasa Prasad has asked him to reconsider the project on the grounds that it was against the environment and would cause irreparable damage to the fragile ecosystem.

The letter dated Mar. 25 comes soon after the green groups, environmental activists and the residents of Mysuru opposed the project after it figured in the 2022-23 Budget presented by Basavaraj Bommai. "I am writing to you as there is a severe opposition from the residents and eco-conscious groups. This is to bring certain pertinent points to your notice," the letter stated.

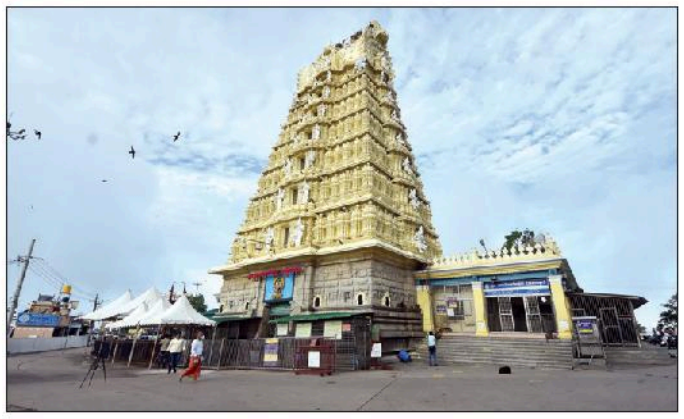
The MP said that the opposition to the project was not unfounded and not without merits and highlighted the fragile ecology of Chamundi Hill and its environment.

"When I was the Revenue Minister in 2015, funds were sanctioned for taking up development works including creating a dormitory, commercial complex for vendors, queue line with toilet facility and a multi-storey parking facility. The works were slated to come up on 8.04 acres of land that was reserved near Devikere. But soon after, there was a landslide atop the Hill and I had personally inspected the site," he wrote.

"Following the landslide, I had called for a meeting with the Revenue and Forest Department officials. Shockingly, the Forest Department officials — who are the custodians of the Chamundi Hill — were oblivious of the works that were sanctioned. They were not even aware of the permission being sought from them before the development projects were sanctioned. I realised something amiss and stopped the work," he wrote.

Subsequently, he said that he was dropped from the Ministry and the works were completed.

'Natural heritage of Mysuru'

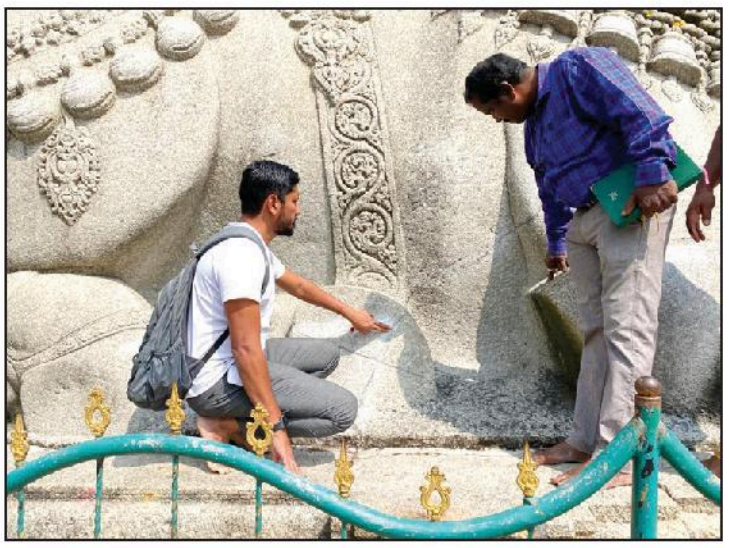


"Chamundi Hill is a natural heritage of Mysuru and the Wadiyars had taken up development works for the benefit of the pilgrims including construction of steps and laying of road. One could approach the hilltop within 20 minutes from Mysuru city while there are two other approach roads as well besides the steps. Given this connectivity, the ropeway project is not essential. On the contrary, the project posed a threat to the fragile environment of the area."

— V. Sreenivasa Prasad, MP, Chamarajanagar

Already there are facilities for vehicle parking, drinking water, toilets and shops for vendors and these facilities are more than adequate. "No further construction works should be sanctioned atop Chamundi Hill and any new project should be taken up only if necessary and it must be in harmony with the local environment. A ropeway against the environment is not necessary and it deserves to be dropped," the MP wrote.

Fissures on Nandi Statue



Sculptor Arun Yogiraj and an official from the Department of Archaeology and Museums inspecting the fissures in the statue recently.

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The statue, reckoned to be at least 350 years old, was sculpted during the period of Dodda Devaraja Wadiyar who ruled from 1659 to 1673 and is the only one of its kind in the State. The statue is 3,489 ft. above mean sea level.

Arun has already visited the Nandi Statue twice and has provided certain suggestions to the Department. If the statue was carved with black schist (Krishna Shile), it would not have developed fissures. But this Nandi has been carved with wild stones and fissures have surfaced after 300 to 400 years, he told *Star of Mysore*.

"I had inspected the statue earlier when Abhiram G. Sankar was the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner as he had entrusted the job to me and now, B.R. Poornima, Commissioner, Department of Archaeology and Museums has contacted me and has invited suggestions on restoring the fissures and for the overall conservation of the monolith. A scientific method will be used without any chemicals to fill the fissures," he said.

The statue is an igneous rock (form when magma [molten rock] cools and crystallises) and is also called 'Chamundi Grey Granite'.

"These rocks are largely available and usually pink and white with a mix of black. This type of rock is usually not used for sculpting as it will not support small sculptures. These rocks contain mica and are porous. The rock reacts when an Abhisheka (anointment) is performed and may cause a small amount of food poisoning if consumed," he explained.

"During my inspection of the Nandi Statue, I saw that slight cracks have developed which has to be treated. High pressure water jets should not be used for cleaning as the process will harm the statue. We usually give oil treatment to stone sculptures to fill the pores. Abhishekas using oil, ghee and other items are also done to the statue of Gommateshwara in Shravanabelagola," he said.

Holes have been observed at a few points of the statue and they are the result of vagaries of weather. "Coconut oil will be applied to the entire statue and dry copra will be burnt to form carbon powder to be applied to the statue. This will make the statue black and it will regain its original black colour. This is a time-tested method and even in the earlier ages, the statues are usually safeguarded using this method," he added.

Archaeology Commissioner Poornima said that the fissures on the Nandi Statue and other related issues have been discussed with Sri Chamundeshwari Temple management. "They have volunteered to bear the expenses and sculptor Arun Yogiraj has been asked to prepare an estimate. His proposal will be sent for approval and the conservation works will begin after securing approval in one-and-a-half months," she said.

A file photo of Nandi Statue.

Hebbal Police Station to get its own building

▶ Construction work in full swing ▶ Works of Devaraja Civil and Traffic and Alanahalli Police Stations too in progress

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (RK&TRR)- The Hebbal Police Station, which is now functioning from a private building near Shubodhini Kalyana Mantap on the Outer Ring Road, will now have its own building and the construction of the new Police Station building is going on at a brisk pace.

The proposed new building for the Hebbal Police Station will have facilities such as lock-up, separate chambers for Inspector and Sub-Inspector, an armoury to store arms and ammunition, parking lot and all basic facilities.

City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta, who took keen interest, got a site sanctioned at Kuvempu Circle on Hebbal Main Road for the construction of the Police Station. The spacious Hebbal Police Station building is being built at an estimated cost of Rs. 2.15 crore from the Police Department grant behind the Public Library near Kuvempu Circle and works of ground and first floors are in progress. As the new Police Station building has roads on three sides, it is suitable for a Police Station and has enough space to park seized vehicles. Also, the new Police Station is in a convenient location for the public to visit.

Dr. Chandragupta said that Karnataka State Police Housing & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (KSPH&IDCL) has awarded the tender to one Vinod Kumar, who has started the construction works in January. The construction work will be completed by July or August as per the specifications of Grade-4 Police Station, he added.

Four Police Stations — Devaraja Civil and Traffic, Hebbal and Alanahalli Police Stations — that are functioning from private buildings will have their own buildings.

Construction works of these four Police Stations with all basic facilities have commenced in January in accordance to the Police manual and will be completed in July or August.

While the Hebbal Police Station is being constructed at Kuvempu Circle on Hebbal Main Road, Devaraja Civil and Traffic Police Station are coming up near Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Bhavan at Devaraja Mohalla. Alanahalli Police Station is coming up near Deve Gowda Circle on the Outer Ring Road.

Karnataka State Police Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. is undertaking the construction works of all the four Police Stations and all necessary infrastructure will be provided at these Police Stations.

—Dr. Chandragupta, Mysuru City Police Commissioner

Obituary

S. Ramesh (Lambu Ramesh)

Mysuru, Mar. 27- S. Ramesh (Lambu Ramesh), a resident of Cauvery Nagar, passed away at his residence in city this afternoon. He was 57.

A bachelor, he leaves behind his brothers S. Jagadeesh and S. Suresh. Last rites will be performed at Jodi Tenginamara Burial Ground in Bannimantap at 6 pm today. [Mob: 99009-97923]

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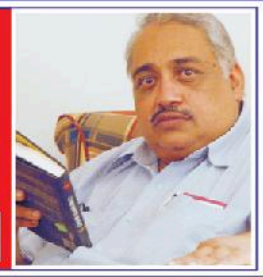
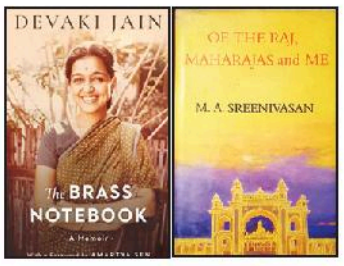


By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Of two books, one old and one new!



Three days ago, a picture in *Star of Mysore* showing a son and his mother standing near a road signboard, caught my attention. When I read on, I discovered that it was a picture of the author **Devaki Jain** and her son, TV news reader and anchor, **Sreenivasan Jain,** who on a visit to the city, were photographed standing next to the signboard that marks a Circle in Chamundipuram named after **M.A. Sreenivasan,** their father and grandfather, respectively.

Devaki Jain, a Padma Bhushan awardee, is a well-known Indian economist and champion of women's rights who has written many books. The two that I have read ***'The Brass Notebook'*** and ***'The Journey of a Southern Feminist'*** are both very good, with the former, according to me, scoring over the latter in readability. Devaki's son, Sreenivasan Jain, is a journalist working for the **NDTV** since 1995 and I remember him from the days when I used to watch TV news. **But that was a very very long time ago when news meant showing what was happening. Now, with facts no longer being sacred, when news means showing only what the sponsors of each channel think and believe in, however far from the truth it is, it no longer appeals to me and so I waste no time on watching it.**

Devaki's father, **Mandyam A. Sreenivasan** was one of the very senior bureaucrats of our State who occupied many important posts during his long and checkered career. He later became a Minister in the Princely State of Mysore and even went on to become the Dewan of the State of Gwalior. My first knowledge about this man came when in the year 1992 I bought an interesting looking book at a book stall in Bangalore. The book titled ***'Of the Raj, Maharajas and Me'*** was a kind of narrative autobiography written by Sreenivasan

M.A. Sreenivasan in his study.

and it turned out to be so interesting and absorbing that after my return to Mysore, I completed it in one sitting and immediately decided to go back to Bangalore and meet the writer in person for a tete-e-tete.

So, in exactly three days, I was in the vicinity of his house, looking for someone whom I could ask for directions on how to reach it. Although the writer had mentioned in his book how he came to acquire the plot of land on which he built that house and how he had named it **'Taranga'** which means waves, because it was located on the banks of the **Sankey Lake,** my difficulty lay in the fact that the house had almost no visible approach road. It was only with much difficulty that I gathered from some workers digging a trench along the roadside, that it could be reached only by going through the forest department nursery located nearby.

When I negotiated what seemed like a maze of overgrown greenery and rang the doorbell, surprisingly, the genial old man himself opened it, thankfully with a smile, albeit with a very perplexed look on his wrinkled face! But even before I could introduce myself or tell him the reason for my unannounced visit, he seemed visibly pleased to see me, as if he had been eagerly expecting me. I quickly surmised that this was because I was holding his book, face up, with both my hands, as if I had come to his doorstep to gift it to him!

What followed was a hour-long chat over tea served by his cook, with the two of us seated comfortably on the cushioned cane chairs in his verandah. When I discovered very quickly that he was as eager to tell me all about his heydays as I was to listen to him, I felt much relieved and my sense of guilt at having intruded on his privacy quickly vanished. And, after getting my copy of his book autographed by him, when I took leave, he asked me to drop in and pay him a visit whenever I was in Bangalore, which was when my guilt turned to joy!

I was able to visit him half a dozen times after our first meeting before he passed away on 15th, January 1998. At every one of these meetings, thanks to his amazingly astute memory, despite his advancing years, he was able to recount details of incidents from his life with absolute clarity and he would take much pleasure in narrating them. His book, which is now out of print and unavailable anywhere, is full of interesting incidents both from his personal and public life and is a great repository of the information about what life was like under the able administration of our Maharajas and the intrigue, including outstanding honesty and shameful treachery that were inseparably intertwined with it.

A sceptic becomes a believer!

Very recently, I visited a book exhibition that had come to our city. It was a most unusual one, where books were sold not by numbers or even weight as they sometimes are, but by volume! At the very entrance, visitors were urged to pick up card board boxes that came in three sizes and fill them till the brim with books of their choice and pay the price stipulated on the box accordingly.

With my virtual greed for books, I had picked up the biggest of the three boxes and was standing at the billing counter, wondering how I would carry it to my car which was parked a long way off, when a smart young girl approached me and after introducing herself as Rachitha, offered me a book which she was selling from a separate counter. She told me that the book titled ***'Inner Trek'*** had been penned by her father, **Mohan Ranga Rao** and it was being sold at a discount for the duration of the exhibition.

I took the book from her and after a cursory glance at it, decided to buy it because I knew her dad to be a sibling of the city's well-known Ranga Rao Family which most Mysureans know as a large business conglomerate flourishing over almost a century. When I offered to pay for it, Rachitha smiled and said she was giving the book to me as a gift. Although I am unable to say whether she was impelled to do so because she saw me as a book-lover, going by the heavy load of books I was carrying or because she had an inkling of who I was from my weekly column in *SOM* but I certainly felt very pleased with her generosity and thanked her. I also went on to tell her that I knew most of her uncles very well and Dr. R. Sridhar, the one just older to her dad, was a close friend of mine over many decades.

After I returned home, since it was the weekend, I got down to reading her book immediately and put it down but only after I finished reading it completely! It was a most absorbing account of a man who was never spiritual all his life, who set out on a pilgrimage to Lake Manasarovar and Mount Kailash in Tibet, one of the world's most sacred spots for any devout Hindu. In a very down to earth and candid admission, Mohan very honestly tells about how he never was a believer in any kind of spirituality, let alone being a follower of any religious rituals, believing all through his life that a good life was all about going about it with honesty and uprightness in all that you did. That was the part that touched me most and held me glued to his book. He admits that he was drawn into the ritual of participating in a homa here

Mamatha and Mohan during their trek.

in Mysuru, only on the urging of his wife, Mamatha who was more religious than him and who felt that this one act would make him tide over the adversities that had then been afflicting their life. And, they had a very generous helping of them which started with his eldest daughter being born blind and then succumbing to cancer at the tender age of eight years.

This was followed by losses in business and threats from the underworld that forced him to part with his landed properties for throwaway prices. His wife followed up their participation in the homa with a vow to undertake a trek to Mount Kailash that she was told would clear all the hurdles in their path.

Any man, plagued by seemingly unsurmountable problems, like a drowning man, naturally clutches at every available straw and so even the sceptic in him agreed to accompany his better half in her quest for succour and salvation. What followed was a most arduous but most life changing trek of their lives, over treacherous, snowy mountains that instead of leaving them tired and weary and sad because of the many fellow pilgrims who perished, left them with their souls refreshed, renewed and relieved!

To my knowledge, all pilgrimages, irrespective of the faiths and religions we follow, do that and that's just what they are meant to do. And, when you come to think of it, most soul satisfying pilgrimages are not easy to undertake, requiring much preparation and steeling of the resolve before you embark on them. Their hardship, their privation, the strain they impose on our bodies and even the great peril they put us in make us soar above our sense of pain. The ***'Inner Trek'*** is a book about all this and more... it is a story of a mountain that moved a man and a sceptic who became a believer!

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Charges of irregularities and functional lapses

Mandya Tahsildar suspended

Mandya, Mar. 27 (Vinay Karekura)- Mandya Tahsildar Chandrashekar S. Gaali has been suspended, pending enquiry, on charges of irregularities, functional lapses and dereliction of duty.

Chandrashekar Gaali has been suspended on 13 counts of serious charges, which include providing official information without Government knowledge in connection with a case pertaining to the dispute over a parcel of land coming under Survey No. 54 of Guttalu village in Mandya taluk, seeking bribe for doing favours in connection with a site at Halebudanur village, celebration of the birthday of his son at KRS in violation of COVID guidelines

Chandrashekar S.Gaali

when the third wave of the pandemic was at its peak, inaction concerning a complaint regarding missing of over 525 sacks of rice illegally stored at a godown at Mandya's Swarnasandra, showing disinterest towards election duties, failure in timely disposal of Land Revenue applications, undue delay in registration of lands allotted under SC/ST Act, 1978, laxity in resolving disputes concerning Mutation appeals and lapses in the running of Taluk Office, among others.

As the charges were found to be *prima facie* true, the Under Secretary to the Revenue Department, M.S. Rashmi, based on the recommendation of Mandya Deputy Commissioner (DC) S. Aswathi on Mar. 8, issued the order suspending Chandrashekar S. Gaali, pending enquiry.

Following suspension of Chandrashekar, K.R. Pet Tahsildar Shweta has been given additional charge as Mandya Tahsildar.

Disruption in water supply on Mar. 29, 30

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (KS)- Following linking works taken up by Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Board at Water Pumping Stations in Hongalli 2nd and 3rd Stages, drinking water supply will be disrupted on Mar. 29 and 30 in areas coming under MCC Ward Nos. 1 to 7, 20, 23, 38, 42 to 45 and 47.

The areas to be effected are Hebbal, Kumbarakoppal, Manchegowdanakoppal, K.G. Koppal, Metagalli, Lokanayakanagar, Brindavan Layout, Vontikoppal, Paduvarahalli (Vinayakanagar), Mandi Mohalla, Lashkar Mohalla, Sharadadevinagar, Saraswathipuram, Bogadi, Vijayanagar, Gokulam, RMP, BEML, Yadavagiri, Bannimantap A, B and C Layouts, Eeranagere, Siddique Nagar, Shivaratreeshwara Nagar, Tilaknagar, Bademakhan, Haleemnagar, parts of Devaraja Mohalla and N.R. Mohalla, Nazarbad, Vidyaranyapuram, Krishnamurthypuram, Janatanagar, KHB Colony, Hootagalli and other localities.

ManMUL Director injured in road accident

Pandavapura, Mar. 27 (KS)- A Director of Mandya District Co-operative Milk Producers Society (Mandya Milk Union Limited — ManMUL) has sustained serious injuries in a road accident between his car and KSRTC bus near Melukote in the taluk.

The seriously injured ManMUL Director is Kadenahalli Ramachandra. A KSRTC bus taken on contract was proceeding from Melukote side and the car of Ramachandra was coming from Jakkanahalli side, when they collided head-on near Melukote resulting in Ramachandra and his driver sustaining serious injuries.

Local leaders Balaramegowda and Shekar, who rushed to the spot, shifted Ramachandra and his driver to a hospital in Mysuru. The car has been badly damaged due to the impact and bus passengers have escaped unhurt. Melukote Police have seized both the vehicles.

Man kills wife

Srirangapatna, Mar. 27 (Vinay Karekura&KS)- A man allegedly killed his wife by assaulting her with a wooden stick at Gananguru village in the taluk.

Prabhavathi

While the deceased is Prabhavathi (40), the accused husband is 46-year-old Chandrashekar.

Police suspect that following wordy duel between them, Chandrashekar might have assaulted his wife Prabhavathi with a wooden stick and she might have died due to the injuries. Srirangapatna Rural Police visited the spot and following a complaint from Prabhavathi's son Nanjunda, the Cops have registered a case.

Youth drowns in River Cauvery

Srirangapatna, Mar. 27 (Vinay Karekura&KS)- A 26-year-old youth was drowned after slipping and falling into River Cauvery near Cauvery Bore Temple in the taluk. The deceased is Ramesh, son of Siddappa and a resident of T.S. Chatra village in Pandavapura taluk. Ramesh, who had come to the temple along with his family members, ventured into Cauvery River though he did not know swimming and got drowned, according to Police.

Arakere Police visited the spot. Fire and Emergency Services personnel, comprising Shrishaila, S. Ravi and Shivanand, led by Srirangapatna Fire Station Assistant Fire Officer T.H. Krishna, conducted a search operation for about one hour, managed to trace and fish out the body and shifted the body to a hospital for post-mortem.

A case has been registered at Arakere Police Station.

Man comes under moving train, killed

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (KS)- An unidentified man was killed after coming under a moving train near Srirangapatna Railway Station.

The deceased is aged between 40 and 45 years and was wearing a red, white and grey coloured checks full arm shirt and grey coloured pant. The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579.

Chamarajanagar Municipal Councillor jailed

Chamarajanagar, Mar. 27 (SS&TRR)- Principal Civil Judge and JMFC Court of Chamarajanagar has awarded a simple imprisonment of one year and imposed a fine of Rs. 5,000 to a Municipal Councillor for disrupting a Government function and for threatening to murder the Municipal Commissioner.

Nanjundaswamy

It was alleged that Congress Municipal Councillor from Ward No.15 R.P. Nanjundaswamy in November 2010, disrupted a Government function held to commence the construction work of Solid Waste Management Unit at Yadabetta Government land and also used abusive language against the then Municipal Commissioner S. Prakash besides threatening to murder him. A complaint was filed in the Chamarajanagar Rural Police Station in this connection. An investigation was carried out and charge-sheet was submitted by the Police. After hearing the case, Judge Mohammad Roshan Shah pronounced the judgement.

Assistant Public Prosecutor A.C. Mahesh represented the Government and Chamarajanagar Rural Police Station's then SI B.G. Kumar investigated the case and submitted the charge-sheet.

Obituary

H.N. Nagarathna

Mysuru, Mar. 27- H.N. Nagarathna (61), daughter of retired Social Welfare Officer and Bodhisattva Credit Co-operative Society former President H.S. Nagappa, passed away yesterday afternoon in city.

A resident of Kuvempunagar, she leaves behind one son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Malalavadi Burial Grounds here this morning, according to family sources.

Woman goes missing from Shakthidhama

Mysuru, Mar. 27 (KS)- A 26-year-old woman has gone missing from Shakthidhama Women Rehabilitation and Development Centre in city since Mar. 22.

Annapoorna

The missing woman is Annapoorna. She was admitted to the Rehabilitation Centre by K.R. Police on Sept. 25, 2020 as she had no family or relatives.

On Mar. 22 at about 7.30 am, Annapoorna, in the guise of cleaning the front portion of Shakthidhama gate, escaped from Shakthidhama, according to the complaint. She is said to be deaf and dumb.

Those having any information about the missing woman may contact K.R. Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418319/ 519 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

WORD OF THE DAY

Henchman

Pronunciation: HENCH-mun.
Meaning: A trusted follower who may perform unpleasant, wrong, or illegal tasks for a powerful person (such as a politician or criminal).
Origin: The earliest known examples of henchman show it being used as a term for a squire or a page, but the word may have seen earlier use with the meaning "groom." It first appeared in Middle English and is a combination of Old English hengest ("a male horse") and man. One of the duties of a groom, squire, or page to a person of high rank was tending horses, and such a person was relied upon, which influenced the broader senses of henchman including "right-hand man."
Example: "However resourceful Batman is, Riddler actually drives the story.... As clues pile up, more and more of Gotham's power players get drawn into that web, with the Penguin (an unrecognizable Colin Farrell), the top henchman to mob boss Falcone (John Turturro), adding to the Rogues Gallery of villains." — Brian Lowry

THE ODD WORD

Hagiomania

Mania for sainthood.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

How come?

Meaning: The phrase 'How Come' means why do or why have.
Origin: The idiom 'how come' is American in origin, and dates back to the mid-19th century. It is essentially a shortened form of 'How does it come to be?' Its predecessor, 'How comes it that' was used in England; an example can be found in Shakespeare's 1607 Coriolanus: "How com'st that you haue holpe To make this rescue?" An even earlier example is found in Edward Hall's 1548 Chronicle: "How commeth this that there are so many Newe Testamentes abrode?"
Example: "How come you got invited and I didn't?"

QUOTE BOX

If it comes, let it come. If it stays, let it stay. If it goes, let it go.

— Nicholas Sparks

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

DR WING

Answer: Drawing a blank.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Amitabh Bachchan of course (3,1)
5 Pesters or bothers
9 Actress Merkel
12 Unbleached linen
13 Pop star ___ Collins
14 Not, as a prefix?
15 ___ -do-well: A good for nothing
16 Lacking companionship
18 Lees, leftovers
20 Work-weary exclamation
21 Do nothing
24 Had a row?
27 Slingshot
31 Have being
32 Growth on the head
33 "Oar" broken to get our ex-Prime Minister?
34 A monster - "I gal" anagram?
35 Go wrong
36 A flowering plant - "shop deal" anagram?
38 Lanky or ungainly; of worthless character?
41 Capital of Ukraine
42 Spring suddenly
44 Weeper of myth
48 Verdant ambience
52 ____ and void?
53 Greek goddess of dawn
54 Malayan knife
55 ___ up : produce or obtain by vigorous effort?
56 "It is" contraction
57 Close up
58 Aviation Safety Reporting Sys.

FRIDAY'S ANSWER

I	N	K	S	■	W	A	D	■	S	T	A	N
P	A	I	L	■	E	P	I	■	H	A	V	E
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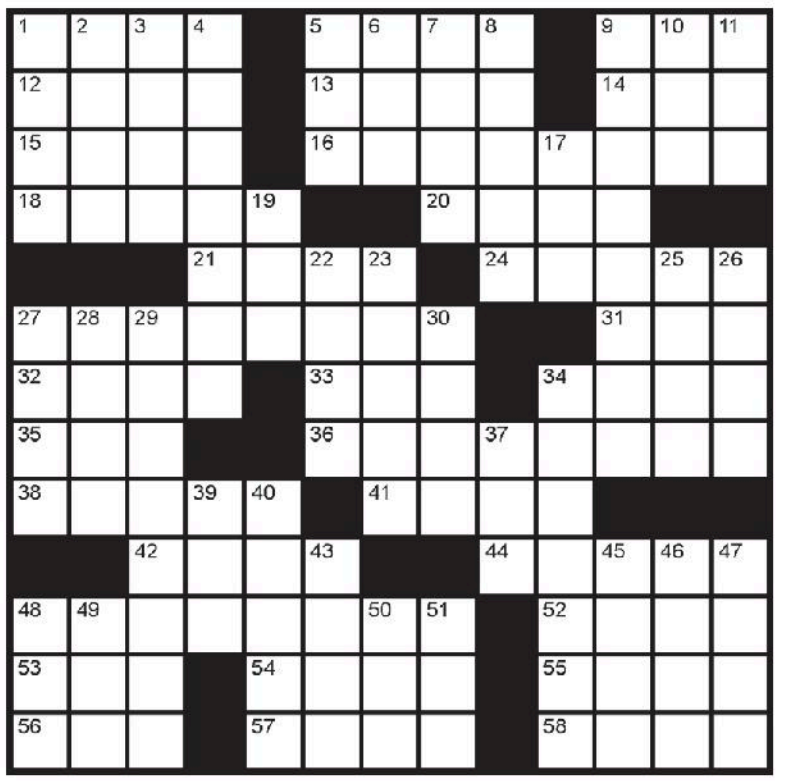
W	A	N	T	■	G	I	N	■	K	N	O	T

DOWN

1 Turn in a road
2 Cake decorator
3 Mastery, superiority - "Gere" anagram?
4 Thief or robber
5 Internet addresses
6 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
7 Highland skirt
8 County of NW Eire
9 Fearless
10 And not either ?
11 One, no matter which
17 Aunt in Spanish
19 Bribe
22 Distinctive air
23 Pocket bottle
25 Mystery writer___ Stanley Gardener
26 Buy and sell
27 Masticate
28 Swiss river - change of "area"?
29 Indefatigable
30 Local headgear?
34 Kunwara of Kunwara
37 Female fowl
39 Scottish river
40 Pulls or tugs sharply
43 'Father' in French
45 Belonging to us
46 Smear
47 Tall, stately trees
48 Procure or acquire
49 French king
50 Inlet for "air" change!
51 Designer's monogram



SUDOKU

1			5				7	
5	7					3		
	3	9	6		4			
2		8	3					
			9		8			
					7	5		9
			4		1	9	3	
		4					1	5
	2				3			6

Answer to previous puzzle

3	7	5	2	9	6	8	4	1
8	1	4	5	7	3	9	2	6
2	9	6	8	4	1	5	7	3
7	6	8	3	5	2	4	1	9
1	3	2	4	6	9	7	5	8
4	5	9	7	1	8	6	3	2
6	8	7	1	2	5	3	9	4
9	4	1	6	3	7	2	8	5
5	2	3	9	8	4	1	6	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

LZLNO XWVHEWRL TM PLENHKNLEJ REW HLERP

AV BTSLNMAC CLVVTWV EKTAH RNLEHXWF

HPL JXWG TM CTZL SL NLECCO SEWH.

TODAY'S CLUE: F EQUALS G

Friday's Cryptoquip: Do something. If it doesn't work, do something else. No idea is too crazy.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
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- **Padma Theatre** — Ph: 2521923
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- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  RRR (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — Mob: 9900820093
  RRR (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — Ph: 2497199
  RRR (H) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — Ph: 2520494
  James (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — Ph: 2443568
  James (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
  The Kashmir Files (H) 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — Ph: 2420885
  The Kashmir Files (H) 4 Shows

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RRR (3D-Te)	(S-1)	8.00 am, 11.35 am 6.35 pm, 10.00 pm
RRR (2D-Te)	(S-1)	3.00 pm
	(S-4)	8.00 am, 11.30 am, 3.00 pm 6.30 pm, 10.00 pm
RRR (2D-H)	(S-3)	10.00 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	(S-2)	9.45 am, 6.50 pm
	(S-3)	12.45 pm, 3.50 pm
James (K)	(S-2)	1.00 pm, 3.55 pm, 10.00 pm
	(S-3)	9.50 am, 7.00 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — **Ph: 2533444 / 2533456**

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RRR (Te)	(S-4)	10.20 am
	(S-2)	10.35 am, 2.20 pm, 6.05 pm, 9.50 pm
RRR (H)	(S-1)	9.00 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	(S-4)	2.10 pm, 5.50 pm, 9.30 pm
James (K)	(S-3)	9.30 am, 12.35 pm, 3.40 pm 6.50 pm, 10.00 pm

PVR CINEMAS

Forum Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

James (K)	:	12.15 pm, 3.25 pm 6.35 pm, 9.45 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	:	11.45 am, 3.10 pm 6.35 pm, 10.00 pm
RRR (Raththam Ranam Ruudram) (K)	:	12.40 pm
RRR (Rise Roar Revolt) (E)	:	10.45 am, 2.25 pm, 9.45 pm
RRR (Roudram Ranam Rudhiram) (Te)	:	8.35 am, 9.00 am, 10.00 am 11.00 am, 1.40 pm, 2.40 pm 4.20 pm, 5.20 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm
RRR (3D- Te)	:	6.20 pm, 10.00 pm
RRR (Rise Roar Revolt) (3D-H)	:	6.05 pm

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RRR (Te)	:	8.00 am, 8.20 am, 10.00 am, 1:40 pm 5.20 pm, 9.00 pm
RRR (K)	:	6.20 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	:	11.30 am, 2:55 pm, 10.00 pm
James (K)	:	12.00 noon, 3.10 pm 6.20 pm, 9.30 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — **Ph: 0821 - 2973519**

James (K)	(S-1)	10.45 am, 1.45 pm 4.45 pm, 9.15 pm
	(S-2)	6.45 pm
RRR (K)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
RRR (Te)	(S-3)	8.00 am, 11.30 am, 3.00 pm 6.30 pm, 10.00 pm
The Kashmir Files (H)	(S-4)	3.00 pm, 6.15 pm, 9.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR. 27)

- **Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** MyBuild21, a grand exhibition of construction materials, equipment, state-of-art technologies and the latest in Real Estate in aid of Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust, **up to 9 pm;** Entertainment programmes, Maharaja's College Grounds, **5.30 pm to 6.30 pm.** [Mob: 99007-91777 or 94480-49242]
- **Swarasankula Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru, Swarasankula Hindustani Sangeetha Vidyalaya and Kemp's Centre for Learning, Mysuru:** Ganayogi Panchakshari Puttaraja Sangeethotsava, launching of 'Swarasankula Music School' website, C. Basvegowda, President, Swarasankula Sangeetha Vidyalaya, P. Nityananda and K. Umashankar chief guests. Classical music by Pt. Ganapathi Bhat Hasanagi and S. Hiranmayi, accompanied by Pt. Virabharaiah Hiremutt and Pt. Vignesh Bhagawat on harmonium, Pt. Sridhar Mandre and Pandit Bheemashankar Bidanur on tabla, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm.**
- **Kumar Performing Arts Centre (KPAC), Mysuru:** Purandaradasa and Thyagaraja Aaradhana Nritya Mahotsava, Guruvandana and Kalemane Award Ceremony to senior artistes and Gurus in the field of Bharatanatyam and Karnatak Classical Music, conferring of Kalemane Award on Guru Pustakam Rama (Karnatak Classical Music - Vocal), Senior Guru Lalitha Core M. Rao, Guru Dr. P.M. Chethana Radhakrishna, Guru T.S. Sreelakshmi Kumar and Dr. Rohitha Eswer (Bharatanatyam), Vid. A.P. Krishna Prasad - Flute, Vid. Mysore Srinath - Vocal and Vid. P. Janardhana Rao - Mridanga (Karnatak Classical Music); Bharatanatyam recitals by the students of Raasavrunda, KPAC, Mysuru, Uma Maheswari Nrutya Kalakshetra and Gurudeva Lalithakala Academy, for compositions of Purandaradasa and Pancharatna Kritis of Sri Thyagaraja Swamy, Kalemane Sabhaangana, Hebbal, **4.30 pm.** [Mob: 98866-54887]
- **Dalita Sangharsha Samiti (DSS), Mysuru District Branch:** Awareness programme on 'Incidents of atrocities in the name of caste and solutions,' SP of District Civil Rights Enforcement (DCRE) Cell, Mysuru, B.T. Kavita inaugurates, Assistant Professor of Sociology at KSOU Dr. R. Santhosh Nayak speaks, Guest Lecturer and advocate Dr. S. Guruswamy presents papers, DSS District Convenor C. Umamahadev presides, Buddha Vihar, near Ashoka Circle (Ballal Circle), **5 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru and Kannada & Cultural Directorate, Bengaluru:** Niranthara Theatre Festival 2021-22, valedictory, Dollu Kunita performance, **5.30 pm;** Mysore Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh, Senior Rangayana artiste S. Ramanath, Hongalli Gangadhar of Hasiru Foundation, Bengaluru and M.M. Suguna of Niranthara guests; Staging of Mounesh Badiger's play 'Vee.Sham.Ke' by Udupi Rangabhoomi, (directed by Manjunath Badiger), RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **7 pm.**
- **Raaga Vaibhava Charitable Trust:** Grand Karnatak Classical Vocal by Vid. Abhishek Raghuram, accompanied by Vidu. H.M. Smitha on violin, Vid. Patri Satish Kumar on mridanga, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, Mysore Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, **5.30 pm to 8.15 pm.** [For non-Members of the Sabha, entry is by tickets available at the counter]
- **Sri Nimishamba School of Dance:** Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Manasa R. Abhishek, disciple of Vid. Sridhar Jain of 'Apthamitra' fame and Founder of Sri Nimishamba School of Dance, accompanied by Guru Vid. Sridhar Jain on nattuvanga, Vid. Naveen Andagar on vocal, Vid. M.K. Kiran Kumar on mridanga, Vid. Shanthakumar on violin and Vid. Raghavendra Rangadol on rhythm pad; Natyacharya Prof. K. Ramamurthyrao, Director of Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust, Mysuru and Arpita Simha, wife of MP Pratap Simha, guests of honour, Jaganmohan Palace, **5.30 pm.**
- **Mysuru District Amateur Theatre Artistes Forum and Kannada & Culture Department:** World Theatre Day celebrations, National Drama School-Bengaluru former Director C. Basavalingaiah, senior theatre artiste Rajashekar Kadamba and Kannada & Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa will be present; Vijayalakshmi Manjunath reads out World Theatre Day Message, felicitation to Karnataka Nataka Academy Award recipient Saroja Hegde, **6 pm;** Staging of play 'Karula Teppada Mele' by GPIER theatre troupe (Origin Story: Khushwant Singh; Translation: Chidananda Sali; Direction: M.P. Hari Datta), Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.** [Mob: 99453-55777]
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Shivakantanandaji speaks on 'Vedanta Paribhasha,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Krishnegowdana Aane' by junior artistes of Rangayana (Directed by R. Nagesh), Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30pm.**
- **Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva Mahasabha:** Inauguration of Mysuru District Law Unit by Law Commission of Karnataka Chairman S.R. Bannumath, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Mahasabha National Unit Senior Vice-President and State Unit President N. Thippanna presides, retd. Upalokayukta Subhash B. Adi and MLA and Mahasabha General Secretary Eshwar B. Khandre chief guests, JSS Law College, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR. 28)

- **Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** MyBuild21, a grand exhibition of construction materials, equipment, state-of-art technologies and the latest in Real Estate in aid of Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust, **10 am to 9 pm;** Valedictory, Mysore Airport Director R. Manjunath chief guest, Maharaja's College Grounds, **5 pm.** [Mob: 99007-91777 or 94480-49242]
- **PG Department of Biotechnology, JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science, Ooty Road:** KSTA-sponsored National Seminar on 'Transgenics and Protein Therapeutics,' Dr. S. Umesha, Professor, DoS in Biotechnology, University of Mysore, delivers keynote address, Chief Executive Prof. B.V. Sambashivaiah presides, Prof. M.P. Vijayendra Kumar, Principal, guest of honour, Seminar Hall, College premises, **10 am.**
- **Kannada Vikasa Shaikshanika Samajika Samskrutika Samsthe, Nrupatunga Kannada School:** Launching of website by N. Satish, Assistant General Manager, State Bank of India (SBI), Regional Office, inaugurates, K.V. Venugopal, Chief Manager, SBI, Kuvempunagar Branch, chief guest, D.N. Lokappa, Publisher and Dharmadarshi, Kannada Vikasa Shaikshanika Samajika Samskrutika Samsthe, presides, Samsthe premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **1.30 pm.**

KKR beat CSK in IPL opener

Mumbai, Mar. 27- Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) yesterday defeated Chennai Super Kings (CSK) in the opening match of IPL at Wankhede Stadium here.

Chasing a target of 132, KKR crossed the line with six wickets and nine balls to spare. Ajinkya Rahane played a fine knock of 44 off 34 balls before Sam Billings and Shreyas Iyer's late cameos helped KKR chase down the target with ease.

Earlier, M.S. Dhoni scored a half-century as his exploits helped CSK post a decent total of 131 for five against the KKR.

For KKR, Umesh Yadav took two wickets while Varun Chakaravarthy and Andre Russell picked a wicket each.

Earlier, KKR won the toss and elected to bowl first.

IPL 2022

TODAY'S MATCHES (MARCH 27)

DC Vs MI — 3.30 pm
Brabourne - CCI, Mumbai

PBKS Vs RCB — 7.30 pm
DY Patil Stadium, Navi Mumbai

TOMORROW'S MATCH (MARCH 28)

GT Vs LSG — 7.30 pm
Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai

YESTERDAY'S RESULT

CSK - 131 / 5 (20)
Lose to
KKR - 133 / 4 (18.3)

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